

# Division of Vocational Rehabilitation State Fiscal Year 2006 Accomplishments



*Mission: To assist individuals with disabilities to obtain and maintain employment.*

- 422 different Alaskan employers hired DVR clients.
- 3,960 individuals participated in the VR program.
- 2,278 individuals received information and referral services through orientation.
- 81 percent of the individuals are significantly disabled with multiple barriers to employment.
- 2,290 Individualized Plans for Employment were implemented.
- 524 individuals exited the program successfully employed for 90 days or more.
- People exiting the program with jobs earned over five times what they were earning when they entered the program. Earnings increased from an average of \$5,206 to an average of \$27,224.
- For every one dollar DVR spent in Federal Fiscal Year 2005 on the rehabilitation of people with disabilities, \$10.19 was returned as client income.
- \$1.6 million was spent on training. Training is the single largest service DVR purchases.
- A total of \$4.5 million was spent on services purchased from Alaskan vendors.
- Initiatives:
  - Summer transition service internships for special education teachers
  - Job Center integration
- Top four job categories for DVR clients:

Service occupations	28 percent
Clerical	20 percent
Professional, Paraprofessional and Technical	19 percent
Construction	18 percent

- DVR met its State Missions & Measures performance measures and anticipates meeting all Federal Standards and Indicators for FFY2006.

*"DVR didn't change my life; it gave me my life back"*  
- DVR Client